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**Bill Number:** S. 0342 Introduced on February 1, 2017

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Subject: Immunity from Liability for Surveyors Requestor: Senate Labor, Commerce, and Industry

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Impact Date: March 6, 2017

**Estimate of Fiscal Impact** 

|                                  | FY 2017-18 | FY 2018-19 |
|----------------------------------|------------|------------|
| State Expenditure                |            |            |
| General Fund                     | \$0        | \$0        |
| Other and Federal                | \$0        | \$0        |
| Full-Time Equivalent Position(s) | 0.00       | 0.00       |
| State Revenue                    |            |            |
| General Fund                     | \$0        | \$0        |
| Other and Federal                | \$0        | \$0        |
| Local Expenditure                | \$0        | \$0        |
| Local Revenue                    | \$0        | \$0        |

#### **Fiscal Impact Summary**

This bill would have no expenditure impact on the General Fund, Federal Funds, or Other Funds. The bill extends to licensed surveyors the same immunity from liability that is currently granted to licensed engineers when volunteering services during a declared national or state emergency.

### **Explanation of Fiscal Impact**

# **Introduced on February 1, 2017 State Expenditure**

This bill grants licensed surveyors the same immunity from liability that is provided to licensed engineers when voluntary services are rendered, upon request of the Governor, at the scene of a declared national or state emergency. Licensed surveyors would not be liable for personal injury, wrongful death, property damage, or other losses that occur as a result of their actions or omissions while providing voluntary surveying services, unless gross negligence or recklessness is proven.

**Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation**. This bill addresses the personal vulnerability of licensed surveyors to civil lawsuits in specified conditions, which would not operationally or fiscally impact the oversight or regulatory activities of the Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation. Therefore, this bill would not have an expenditure impact on the General Fund, Federal Funds, or Other Funds.

#### **State Revenue**

N/A

**Local Expenditure** 

N/A

**Local Revenue** 

N/A

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